

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1885.

HOME NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

TRAINS FROM SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:

MAIL. MAIL.

Going South: 5:10 P. M. and 8:20 P. M.

Going North: 8:35 A. M. and 9:50 P. M.

Persons not subscribers who may at any time receive copies of the Free Press, will please understand that they are sent simply as samples, in the hope that the parties addressed may like it well enough to favor us with their subscriptions.

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Inasmuch as many persons desire to send copies abroad, and by way of encouragement so to do, we offer two copies of the Free Press at \$3.50—cash in advance.

Attention Knights of Honor.

You are hereby notified to meet on tomorrow night (Friday), over Johnson & Johnson's store. It is imperative, as we have business of importance. Each and every member is requested to be on hand at 8 o'clock.

By order of W. C. DUGGER, Dictator.

Thos. J. Peel, Secretary.

Dr. J. B. Link, of Austin, will preach at the Baptist church morning and evening Sunday the 19th inst.

Millot and Sorghum seed at McAllister's.

Slippers, various styles at Johnson & Johnson.

Don't forget the choice cigars at Hardy & Co.

The ice-cream season has already begun.

Full line of sugar-cured hams at Hardy & Co's.

Steele & Code's new sign is the work of Mr. Garth.

Fresh lard in tierces and 50 pound cans at Hardy & Co's.

Cotton Seed for sale. Apply to J. B. Billingsly.

Fresh lot of cracked wheat, snow-flake crackers, cakes and jumbles, at Hardy & Co's.

Some of our young gentlemen propose giving a ball at Harper's Hall on the evening of the 21st inst.

No frost as yet, and crop prospects continue first-rate.

Parties wishing to buy McCormick binders or mowers, and those needing extras for their machines, as also twine and wire, will call on Wm. Giesen.

Try the "Immenso" cigar at Hardy & Co's.

Highest market price in cash for corn. Wm. Giesen.

HATS.

Go to Green & Price for your new straw hat: They have something new in spring styles and shoes.

New line of worsted in Berge, Kyber cloths, Albatross in black. Nun's veiling, all wool, at 25c per yd. DAILEY & BRO.

Rev. J. D. Walker of Dripping Springs, will preach at the Baptist church on Monday night next, the 20th inst.

SHOES.

New shoes opened. Slippers, latest and newest styles at GREEN & PRICE.

Cheap Ribbons, at GREEN & PRICE.

You will find on the 10 cent counter at Jas Taylor & Bros, many things that's worth more than twice the money asked for them.

FANS AND PARASOLS.

Go to Green & Price for a beautiful line of Hosiery very cheap go and see them.

Nice clean newspapers for wrapping paper for sale at the FREE PRESS office for only 25 cents a hundred.

Mens and boys spring hats in splendid assortment. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

MOTHERS.

Go to Green & Price and get your little darling a pair of nice shoes or slippers.

A good stock of ladies and Misses Kelly shoes just received. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Crop mortgages for sale at this office.

Hides bought at M. HINZIE'S.

Free delivery in city at McALLISTER'S.

New line of summer shade of gingham at DAILEY & BRO.

New Gingham at Green & Price.

Remember that the Royal Patent and Eagle Steam flour are the best in the market, and for sale only by M. HINZIE.

For cash—low prices in groceries at McALLISTER'S.

Something new in white goods called gossamer web, or the morning dew spun out. To see is simply to weep. DAILEY & BRO.

Go to Jas. Taylor & Bros. for canned goods of every kind.

Ecru lace in black and cream 6 inches wide at 50 cents, worth \$1 per yard. DAILEY & BRO.

Go and see Jas. Taylor & Bros. ten cent counter goods, there is something new every week.

Fine Virginia chewing tobacco, smoking tobacco and the best cigars in town at LEAVELL'S.

A new line of Victoria and India lawn and pique at DAILEY & BRO.

Wanted 500 dozen eggs at James Taylor & Bros.

Roller oats, corn starch, grits and hominy, fresh and nice at LEAVELL'S.

New line of millinery goods to arrive, call and see them. Large shade Hats in all colors, 25 cents. DAILEY & BRO.

I have just received a fresh lot of very fine flour. R. W. LEAVELL.

Full line of sugars and Louisiana molasses at R. W. LEAVELL'S.

Single copies of the FREE PRESS for sale at the office, also at the book store of Russell & Ellison, five cents a copy.

Our new town officers were qualified on Tuesday. Some objection had been raised on the ground that a legal return of the election had not been made, but by common consent it was held to be immaterial.

ATTENTION FIREMEN.

A Department meeting is called for Saturday night the 18 inst. Full attendance requested. By order of the Chief. J. F. PATE, Sec'y.

FIREMAN'S PICNIC

will be held on San Jacinto Day (next Tuesday) on the San Marcos river. Programme as follows: 9 o'clock a. m. Drill and Inspection by Chief and adjournment to McAllister's grove. Speaking by leading citizens. Basket dinner. 3 o'clock p. m. match base ball game between the Kyle Klippers and San Marcos Nine. 5 p. m. Ice Cream Supper at Court House yard.

Everybody is cordially invited; baskets may be left at the store of G. W. Donaldson & Co. and will be sent to the ground.

Come one, Come all! Give the fire boys a good send-off, this, their first annual celebration.

Committee of arrangements: W. H. Nance, W. C. Dugger, C. L. McCoy.

Attention Firemen.

You are hereby ordered to assemble at 9 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday the 21st, for inspection. E. F. RAYMOND, Chief.

Fine fishing poles and tackle at McALLISTER'S.

White Victoria lawn at 8 cents, worth 12 1-2 cents. DAILEY & BRO.

Bacon, lard, pickles, etc. at McALLISTER'S.

White embroidered robes just received. DAILEY & BRO.

We are still paying the highest price in groceries for corn, chickens, eggs and other country produce. Come to M. HINZIE'S.

A car load of choice Kansas city flour—sold under strict guarantee. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Fresh arrival of fine flour at McALLISTER'S.

Large line of embroidery narrow and wide for dress ruffles. DAILEY & BRO.

Louisiana molasses at McALLISTER'S.

Legal Card.

W. D. Wood and Owen Ford have associated themselves together for the practice of law in civil matters in Hays county, Texas. Office in Wood's new building, up stairs, San Marcos. Oct. 25-ly.

Save the Honey Crop.

Arrived and ready a car load of white pine Root Simpliciter hives and bee fixtures. Extractors, knives, smokers, foundation and A B C books, 1 pound sections and extra frames in any quantity. Call at Hart's shop, near depot or at our apiaries. Italian Queen price list, free. J. M. KILLGORE & Co. San Marcos, Texas.

New Millinery Goods.

Mrs. Richardson has opened a full line of millinery in hats, bonnets and trimmings of all kinds. Is prepared to show you a splendid collection of goods in that line. Mrs. Richardson is also carrying on dress-making in the best and latest styles. Satisfaction guaranteed.

I Am Agent For

McCormick self binder, Mowers etc, Jackson wagons, Deer plows, Goodly milky plows, Standard cultivators, Bookwalter hay rakes, Wheeler Thrashers and other machinery and farm implements for which I solicit orders, guaranteeing lowest prices and best terms. Wm. Giesen.

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Evaporated apples, the best and cheapest in the market at MARTIN HINZIE'S.

DAILEY & BRO. have the prettiest line of gingham that has been in the city. They have them in new colors, new combinations of colors and shades. They have the olive and the lizard green, the last being a new shade with most effect. Their stock of imported English clock and plaids in worsted are very pretty indeed, and they have a new cloth very handsome for spring and summer. Their stock of bargains is in all shades and is fresh.

SAN MARCOS SCHOOL-Readers: E. L. Thomas, D. W. Pritchett, D. P. Hopkins, Miss Allie Dockery, Miss Jennie de Graffenreid.

Musio-Quartette: D. P. Hopkins and daughter, Miss Allie Dockery, Mr. Harris and daughter, Mrs. Sallie White. STRANO BAND.

Meeting Tuesday evening next at the residence of Mr. D. P. Hopkins.

The above is the programme for the next meeting of a newly organized social club which held its first meeting at the residence of Mr. Gregory last Tuesday night.

John Henry Brown was elected mayor of Dallas by 800 majority. A just triumph of a worthy old Texan, involving also the triumph of law and morality.

The New Braunfels musical society about 40 in number, had a picnic on Sunday last near the head of our river. With songs and plays they had a good time. We hope they and others from our neighboring towns will come again and often.

We had a pleasant call on Tuesday from E. Griesenbeck, agent of the Southern Gem Nurseries, of Dallas. He was accompanied by our friend G. Westerfeld. Mr. G. exhibited to us actual samples of various choice fruits grown in said nursery, among others six varieties of pears ripening in succession from May to September, plants which will bear profusely without cultivation, a literally never-failing variety of the fig, etc. See advertisement.

With our new street crossings should come some new pavements. One in front of the fine building of Donaldson & Co., would add much to it and to the comfort of pedestrians. One on the east side of the street leading to the depot is loudly called for. We learn that Hinzie is ready to lead off whenever the extension is decided on as a whole.

Colley Riley took out license to marry Miss L. Holt, Tuesday.

Fire Alarm.

We are authorized to say that the regular fire alarm is sent rapid strokes of the bell, followed by one or more strokes to designate the ward in which the fire is. A full line of signals will soon be published by the Fire Department, with the punishment assessed by the city council for ringing false alarm. The late unauthorized attempt to ring the fire bell, if repeated, should be visited with the severest penalty known to the law and practice governing in such cases.

The S. M. & L. Railroad. Major Converse

Converses with the Committee. Another Mass Meeting Tuesday Night.

In response to an invitation of the committee Major Converse came in Saturday morning and a very interesting discussion took place at Glover's bank lasting several hours. The Major is a very fluent conversationalist; he said that the present was an unfavorable time to talk about building railroads but seemed disposed towards this branch. He said that he knew of no better country to build a road than up the San Marcos valley and thought that the road could be built in 60 days, but advised the committee not to count upon it this year in time to take away the cotton crop; he further stated that taking our water-power and natural advantages under consideration there was no reason why San Marcos should not be one of the best towns in the State. He informed the committee that the first step necessary would be to furnish a statement of our resources and of the amount of trade naturally tributary to this point, also statement of the business of the town and amount of grain and cotton shipments during a good crop year, so the company could give the matter intelligent consideration. He also suggested that the committee ascertain as near as possible what amount could be obtained as donations either in moneys or lands.

The committee requested that Major Converse send a competent person to assist in viewing lines for the proposed road with a view to obtaining right of way.

After the meeting the committee drove the Major to the head of the river and over the principal parts of the town.

THE MASS MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

was quite well attended and everybody present evinced a deep interest in the proceedings. After hearing from the committee the meeting was addressed by Hon. J. V. Hutchins and Mr. Hayward by request, and on motion Mr. Hutchins and Ed. J. L. Green were added to the committee previously formed, and a suggestion of Dr. P. C. Woods appointing a sub committee to operate in the country was adopted, after which the committee adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman.

The water company has just put in an arrangement of check-valves and water gates which enables their customers to get water direct from the river. The water is now pumped to the consumers first, and the surplus, after supplying them, goes to the reservoir, and by this arrangement the reservoir is always kept full for fire protection. A large valve near the Briggs mansion holds the reservoir pressure back; this valve has a large wheel connected to the top by which to open for fire purposes. Altogether this is one of the most ingenious arrangements we have ever seen in this line.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Beck has gone to Mason.

Jeff McLemore is again running the Kyle News.

W. C. Mullins, of Fort Worth, is again on a visit. Glad to see him looking well.

Mr. Westerfeld informs us he has a good garden this spring.

We are glad to note the return to our town of Charlie Wetzel.

We learn that Chas. Beck will erect a new store on the south side before long.

Miss Mattie Heaton is again at home after a sojourn of some months at Pearsall.

We close this week all our personal reminiscences of our visit to New Orleans, etc.

Our neighbor, Dr. Daniel, is surpassing all his former successful efforts in the way of gardening.

Tom Devinney, the blacksmith of Martindale, and he is a good one too—was in town the fore part of the week.

T. G. Lock, printer, who has been employed in this office for over a month past, left last night to take a job at Belton.

County Surveyor Eve and Mr. Cowley were last week threatened with serious injury from a hail storm in which they were caught.

J. R. Williamson is talking about putting up a substantial building where his saloon now stands. This is probably the best building site on the square.

Tuesday next is Texas day at New Orleans. It will be largely honored by Texans. We hear of a number who intend going from this place and vicinity.

Major Bishop has charge of the seminary at Gonzales. He was called to the place some two months since in consequence of the death of the former principal.

We are authorized to say that J. P. Caldwell has bought out A. W. Bryan's interest in the apary and bee-keeper's supplies of San Marcos, known as J. M. Killough & Co.

The statement to the city dailies that the German national flag was raised in honor of the election of Giesen as mayor is news to our people.

Miss Edith Buhl, who has been officiating as governess in the family of L. W. Mitchell for several months past, left on Sunday to take a position as teacher in Presidio county.

A Kyle dispatch to the city dailies says: "The itch has broken out in this community and sulphur has taken a sudden rise." This forcibly reminds us of the old adage "It is a dirty bird that befools its own nest."

Happening out at the residence of J. S. Travis the other day we noticed various improvements on that fine since our last visit. Mr. Travis showed us his garden which is in a wonderful state of forwardness, peas in bloom, new potatoes forming, etc.

Two of our prominent M. D's came into collision with regard to matters of professional etiquette, as we are informed, on our streets yesterday. The Sheriff promptly interviewed them, with what results we have not learned.

We learn that Mr. Hayward on Monday purchased twelve acres of the L. W. Mitchell estate on San Antonio street, opposite Mr. Northcraft's, for which he paid \$2,400. Mr. Hayward we learn proposes erecting a fine residence thereon.

Mrs. Shippe who resides near Major Bishop's has been quite sick for several days. Mr. Shippe was absent when she was taken ill, and could not be communicated with for some time. He is now at home and we trust all will soon be well again.

Rev. Mr. French has returned from Uvalde. From him we learn that John Wilson, well known here, who formerly clerked for Geo. Malone and William Giesen, was in a very precarious condition at Del Rio having had a severe hemorrhage. He is talking of for county clerk of Kinney county.

The patriotic pride of the Lone Star State is universal. It seems to extend even to the natural productions of the State. For instance we have seen a peach tree twig full of fruit among which was as perfect a star of five points formed of five young peaches. The fruit would have derived the five all grown in one stem. It was from a tree of our neighbor, Mrs. Cotton.

There is no Job in it,

But is that any good reason why the Court House grounds should be allowed to remain in their present shameful condition? For the present handsome new fence was built, our people surely thought something would be done towards beautifying the grounds, but thus far they have been disappointed—nothing whatever has been done. It was not too late to plant various kinds of shrubbery, etc. The grounds too should have been graded in some sort of shape; it would not have been a very large job to have done this. At the very least one would have thought the stones and rubbish would have been promptly removed so as to give the grass a chance to grow, and give a chance to mow it when grown, but nothing of the kind. Not a lady in Hays county nor a well trained man or boy but must feel sensibly shocked at such a sight right in the center of the county seat. To help it out the gates to the new wire fence prove to be no hindrance to animals, so the grounds are infested with wandering yearlings and resembles with its stones and sticks and knobs a regular mountain calf lot. The Bermuda grass is permitted to choke to death the trees, including some rare exotic plants. Meantime there are plenty of men living at the public expense, and literally spoiling for want of honest work.

We ask, can nothing be done unless there is some sort of a "job" in it?

Our sportsmen are having fine sport shooting plover. John Williamson and party, we are told, killed 150 birds last Monday afternoon.

The sheriff of Williamson County took a prisoner named Brannon alias Alexander wanted for forgery, away from this place last Friday. He was arrested in Blanco County by Sheriff Jackson.

A few days ago a tall drummer for a Cincinnati drug house, hailing from Baltimore arrived here stopping at the Hofheinz. After loafing about the saloons for several days he left without paying his board bill and being overhauled by Marshal Prince at Austin remitted by check for \$24, the Gentlemen styled himself Dr. Cammer.

A very pleasant picnic excursion to the "Devils Backbone" region was made by a number of young folks and some others visiting here, last Friday. An enjoyable time was had. On the way home the party stopped at Purgatory school house and tripped "the light fantastic" to their heart's content, the musicians of the party having taken the precaution to bring their violins.

An attempt was made to burn the establishment of Ed. Lyell at Hunter Station by four Mexicans Monday night. A ladder was put up on the building and combustibles placed on the roof and ignited. The noise made in handling the ladder awakened Lyell in time to get a glimpse of the retreating Mexicans, one of whom he recognized as party with whom he had a difficulty some time previous. But little damage done by the fire.

SINGLE copies of the Daily St. Louis Republican and Globe-Democrat, New York Sun, Chicago News, etc., may be had at this office.

When Baby was sick, we gave her CASTORIA. When she was a Child, she cried for CASTORIA. When she became Miss, she clung to CASTORIA. When she had Children, she gave them CASTA.

FOR COUGHS, COLDS, ETC.—Use Samostz Hypnotique for sale at RAYMONDS & DANIEL.

FOR CHILLS and FEVER—Use the Great Texas Fever Remedy, warranted to cure, for sale only at RAYMONDS & DANIEL.

CORNS! CORNS! CORNS—Use Samostz Corn Cure. It gives immediate relief to the most painful corns.

For sale only at RAYMONDS & DANIEL.

Administrators Notice.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has been appointed by the Honorable County Court of Hays county, Texas, as administrator of the estate of James A. Chandler, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate, will present them to me within the time prescribed by law, else they will be barred. My residence and post office address is Austin, Travis county Texas.

HENRY E. SHELLEY.

Administrator Est. J. A. Chandler, dec'd. Apl. 16-4w.

MARKET REPORT.

SAN MARCOS, WEDNESDAY, 12 M.

Below will be found the San Marcos markets for the articles named, in such quantities as the farmer usually disposes of them, obtained from reliable local dealers.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET.

Cotton, good ordinary, 94c.

Hay, new in bales—\$8 per ton.

Wheat—90c, Nicaragua 60c/65c.

Corn—shelled, 45c, corn meal, 50c.

Chopped Corn—\$1.00 3/4 100 lbs.

Corn Bran—50c 3/4 100 lbs.

Mill Seed—\$1.25 3/4 bushel.

Oats—3/4 bushel, 25c.

Flour—3/4 100 lbs \$3.00 @ \$4.00.

Wheat Bran—3/4 100 lb \$1.20.

Potatoes—3/4 bushel, \$1.50.

Sweet Potatoes—\$1.00 3/4 bushel.

Onions—3/4 lb 5c.

Butter—Choice Texas, 20c.

Eggs—124c.

Chickens—180c/2.50.

Turkeys—75c 1.00.

Honey—3/4 lb 10c/12c.

Bacon—114c.

Hams—14c.

Beef Cattle—2 @ 24c.

Milk Cows with Calves—\$25.00@35.00.

Hogs—34c gross.

Mutton—2 @ 24c.

Hides—green, 44c/5c.

Wood—3.00 @ 4.00 3/4 cord.

Wool—114c/15c.

RETAIL GROCERY MARKET.

Sugar—9, 10, 12 and 14 lb to the \$1.00.

Coffee—green, 54 to 7 lb "

" roasted, 5 lb "

Lard—11c 3/4 lb.

Molasses—3/4 gal. 45c/75c.

Syrup—golden, 3/4 gallon 75c.

Rice—3/4 lb 10c.

Apples—dried, 3/4 lb 10c.

Evaporated Apples—3/4 lb 12c.

Prunes—10c.

Soles—2 @ 3/4 lb.

Pepper—black, 25c 3/4 lb.

Spices—25c 3/4 lb.

Salt—coarse, 3/4 sack \$1.00, fine, \$2.00.

Can Tomatoes—3/4 doz. 24c \$1.75, \$2.00.

Cheese—3/4 lb, 15c/20c.

Coal Oil—per gallon 30c.

Dried Beans—15c.

Tea—44c/70c 3/4 lb.

Vinegar—35c.

G. W. DONALSON & CO.,